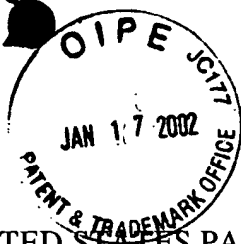


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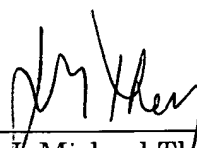
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Applicants hereby request approval for amendment to the drawings by changing "Fig. 2" to -- Fig. 2A and Fig. 2B --. A copy of drawing page containing in Figures 2A and 2B is attached showing the proposed amendments in red ink. The proposal amendments to Figure 2 changes the reference number label for "2" to -- 2B -- and adds figure number -- 2A --. No new matter has been added.

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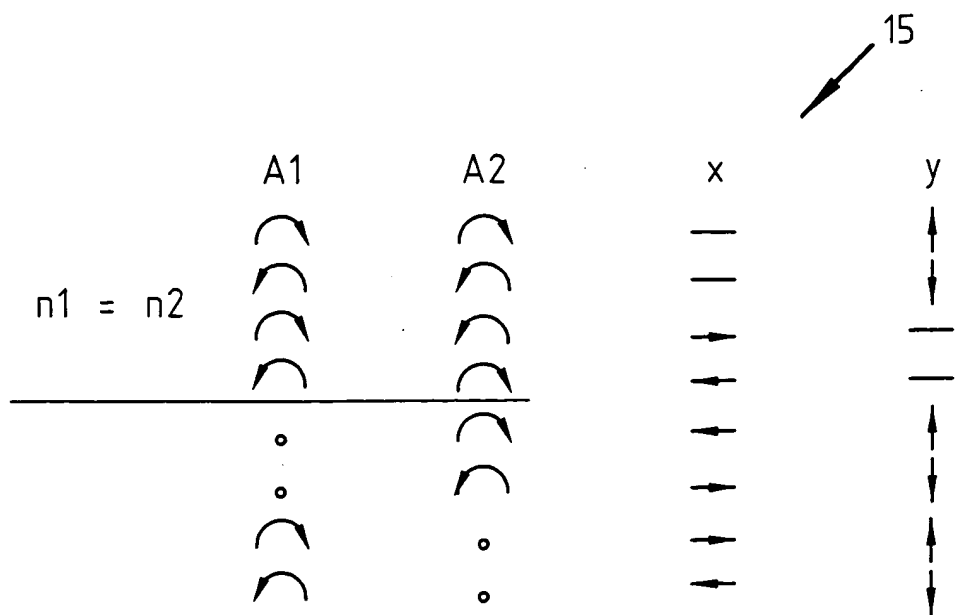
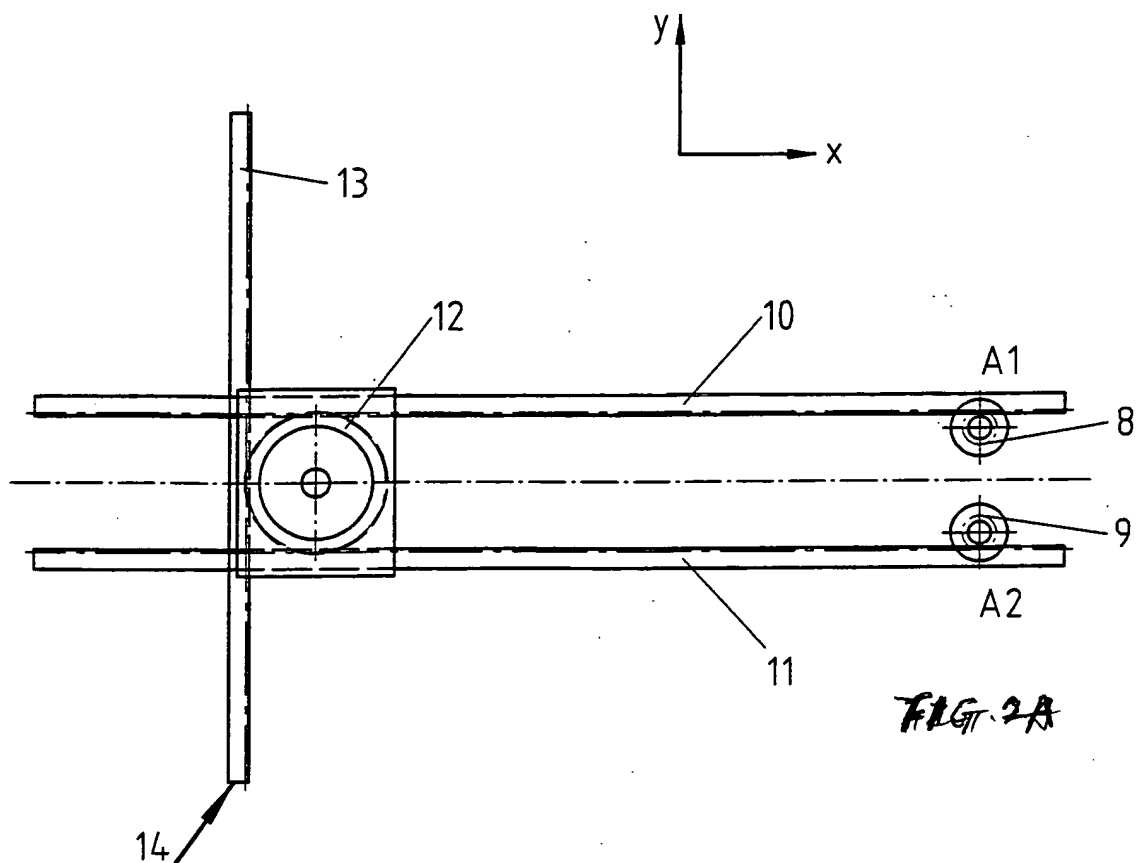


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